

Senate Warned Of Retaliations Against Tariff

Heavy Investors in Rapidly Developing New Industries Fear Destructive Action by Other Governments

Experts To Be Consulted

Soap and Vegetable Oils Trade Alarmed; Sugar and Onion Men Ask Barriers

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Warning that passage of the Fordney emergency tariff bill would lead to retaliatory measures and would breed unfriendliness to American trade among foreign nations, was given to-day by witnesses before the Senate Finance Committee.

As a result of the testimony, it was expected to-night that members of the United States Tariff Commission would be asked for information on the question. Chairman Penrose said that members of the commission would be on hand to-morrow to answer any questions, and indicated that he desired further information on how serious the danger of retaliation might be.

The committee will conclude its hearings to-morrow, Mr. Penrose announced, and it is planned, on Friday, to take up the bill in executive session.

Discussion of the possibility of retaliation brought from Senator Penrose the comment that "it is the first time I have heard the question of probable retaliation so clearly stated."

Louisiana sugar growers, led by Senators Ransdell and Gay, of that state, appealed for protection for cane sugar, while Bermuda producers of potatoes and onions, through their trade representatives in New York, opposed inclusion of the two commodities under a tariff levy as now is provided.

Importers of vegetable oils from New York and Philadelphia and officials of the Foreign Commerce Association of the Pacific coast and soap manufacturers from various cities said their industries had been developed during the war and asserted that the tariff as proposed would handicap their growth and might even result in their extinction through retaliation.

Importers of vegetable oils have invested approximately \$100,000,000 in Pacific coast cities to enable proper handling of the vast imports from the Orient. C. R. Brown declared. Soap makers, he added, were building great plants along the Pacific coast and he expressed the belief that it would be a crushing blow to them should the proposed tariff go into effect.

State Education Board To Revise Its Budget

Conference to Discuss Retrenchment Is Called for in Albany on Thursday

From a Staff Correspondent

ALBANY, Jan. 10.—The State Education Department, through Deputy Commissioner Frank B. Gilbert, has arranged for a conference in Albany Thursday, at which plans for departmental retrenchments meeting Governor Miller's economy program will be discussed. The conference is to be attended by the various division heads of the department and the education school district superintendents in the state.

Issuing the call for the conference, Mr. Gilbert said the department, of which he will become acting commissioner on January 15, when Commissioner H. H. Kimball retires, is ready to adjust itself to Governor Miller's views, as far as practicable, in order to effect a saving in the cost of operating the department. The appropriation requests submitted to the budget committee last fall are now being revised in the hope that several of the items included therein may be cut out.

"We are," Mr. Gilbert said, "prepared to meet the Governor half way in his aim to cut down the cost of state government. To this end we are now considering a revised budget, which will carry out some of the recommendations presented by the Governor in his message."

British Called From Persia Red Invasion Feared After Withdrawal of Troops

LONDON, Jan. 11.—The British Legation in Teheran, Persia, has ordered the immediate evacuation by British women and children of Persia, in view of the announced withdrawal of the British forces in northwest Persia and its threatened sequel, a Bolshevik invasion, says a dispatch to The Daily Mail from Teheran.

The dispatch adds that all the foreign legations and nationals and the Shah with his court will leave Teheran in the spring.

Period Furniture Shown

Objects of art and examples of period furniture, comprising the contents of the former home of Mrs. Catherine D. Stokes, are now on view at the Broadway Art Galleries, 1342 Broadway. They will be sold at auction this week, the first session opening on Wednesday afternoon. Among the most interesting pieces of furniture is a bronze mounted boudoir suite of the First Empire. A group of bronzes, paintings, vases and antique textiles are included in the collection.



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English Author Here to Lecture



Gilbert K. Chesterton
He arrived in New York yesterday with his wife on the steamer Kaiserin Augusta Victoria, for a lecture tour of several American cities.

Chesterton as a Fat Man Seems Somewhat Overrated

Two Hours and a Half With American Inter- viewers Serve to Unnerve Novelist, Who Ad- mits He Hasn't So Much as Seen "Mary Rose"

By Heywood Brown

The ship news man said that Gilbert K. Chesterton was staying at the Commodore and the telephone girl said he wasn't, but we'd trust even a ship news man before a hotel central and so we persisted.

In fact, we almost persuaded her. "Maybe he's connected with one of the automobile companies that are exhibiting here," she suggested, helpfully. For a moment we wondered if by any chance the hotel authorities had made an error and placed him in the lobby with the ten-ton trucks. It seemed too fantastic.

"He's not with any automobile company," we said severely. "Didn't you ever hear of The Man Who Was Thursday?"

"He may have been here Thursday, but he's not registered now," she answered with some assurance. We didn't seem to be getting on. "It's a book," we shouted. "He wrote it."

Biltmore Acknowledges Him

"Not in this hotel," said central with an air of finality and rang off before we could try her out on Man Alive or The Ball and the Cross. It proved, after all, that she was right, for it was the Biltmore which at last acknowledged Mr. Chesterton, but we had to spell him out.

"Not in his room, but somewhere about the hotel," was the message.

"You can find him," said the city editor with confidence. "Just take this picture with you. He's sort of fat and he speaks with an English accent."

We had a more helpful description than that in our mind, because we remembered Chesterton's answer when a sweet girl admirer once remarked, "It must be wonderful to walk along the streets when everybody knows who you are."

"Yes," said Chesterton; "and if they don't know they ask."

He wasn't in the bar, but we found him in the smoking room.

He was giving somebody an interview without much enthusiasm. It looked like the last round. Chesterton was beginning to droop. Every

about Main Street for the Wednesday book column.

Hasn't Seen "Mary Rose"

"I don't read any," he answered. "This rather limited the scope of our inquiry."

"I don't read any living English authors, either," he added hastily, as if he feared that he had trodden on our patriotic feelings. "Nothing but dead authors and detective stories."

That we had expected. In the march up to the heights of fame there comes a spot close to the summit in which a man reads "nothing but detective stories." It is the Antean touch which distinguishes all Olympians. As you remember, Anteus was the god who had to touch the earth every once in a while to preserve his immortality. Probably he read a good murder story.

"Can you tell me what 'Mary Rose' is about?" we suggested, still fumbling for a literary theme.

"I haven't seen 'Mary Rose,'" said Mr. Chesterton, although he did go on to tell us that Barrie had done several excellent plays. Probably there was a long pause then, for we were trying to think up something provocative about the Irish question.

"If you really will excuse me, I must go to my room," he suggested. "The press men have been here ever since 2 o'clock."

This, of course, is no land in which to stand between a man and his room, where heaven knows what solace may await the distinguished visitor who has been spending two hours and a half with the press men. We stepped aside willingly enough, but we must confess a slight disappointment. He's not as fat as we had heard.

What Chesterton Told A Ship News Reporter

Calls Prohibition a Backward Step in Direction of Slavery, but Expects to See Reaction

With no aspirations upon the Eighteenth Amendment or the Volstead act in mind, Gilbert K. Chesterton gave a short dissertation against prohibition yesterday as he came up the bay on the Cunarder Kaiserin Augusta Victoria on a visit to this country which will last three months.

The prohibition movement, he said, was a step backwards and was set in the direction of old-time slavery. The recent dry legislation in America, he said, could be eliminated from the question and still the movement of the times was backward toward slavery. He cited the tendency in France, England and northern Germany toward the restrictions of human liberties.

"It is difficult to say when the turn will come," said Mr. Chesterton, "but I am confident that there will be a reaction against prohibition. This will come about when it is seen that there is an apparent trend of capital to withhold things from the laboring classes. If carried to withhold things from the laboring classes, it will allow those who have to say what those who haven't shall have."

"Slavery does not mean that persons shall be held in chains, but it is the taking away of the right of the person to determine what he may have in America. It would seem to be a violation of personal rights as set forth by the Constitution. I am not speaking of the abuse of liquor rights, but of the general trend these days to make a machine of a man on the ground of increasing efficiency."

Mr. Chesterton, who was accompanied by his wife, will lecture in the principal cities of the United States. He said his ideas of the United States are not so rigidly set that they may not be changed by observation and general contact with the American people.

We Look at Him Coldly

"To-morrow, perhaps," he answered. Evidently we had touched him. Then there came one of the few superb moments of our life. We looked at him coldly. "It must be now or never," we said and used a gesture. Later we wondered just what reply we'd have been possible if he had answered "Never."

On second thought there didn't seem to be any really terrifying substance in our threat. It must have been our manner which awed him, because he stopped walking and almost turned around. "The press men have been here ever since 2 o'clock," he complained more in sorrow than in anger. "What do you want to know?"

At that stage of the interview the advantage passed to him. Right on the spot we couldn't think of a single thing we wanted to know.

Mostly we had read him on religion and rum, but there were too many people passing to give the proper atmosphere for any such confidential questions. Anyhow, we couldn't help him out with advice as to when to boil and when to skim, nor did we feel sufficiently well disposed to tell him about that drugstore where you say, "I'm a patient of Dr. Brown's" and are forthwith allowed to buy gin.

All the questions we had ever asked anybody in any interview in our life passed rapidly before us. "What do you think of our tall buildings?" "Do you like American women?" "Have you ever thought of playing Hamlet?" None seemed suitable.

"What American authors do you read?" we ventured timidly, and added "living ones," hoping to get something

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Labor Attacks U. S. Policy in Latin-America

Domingo and Salvador Dele- gates to Union Congress in Mexico Accuse This Govern- ment of Highhandedness

Laredo Consul Arraigned

Gompers Says Reparation Will Be Made for Ill Treatment of Neighbors

By George E. Hyde

Special Cable to The Tribune

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MEXICO CITY, Jan. 10.—Attacks upon the United States and friction between the American Federation of Labor and the Latin-American factions characterized the first session of the Pan-American Labor Congress here to-day. Although the Latins are predominant in the organization, the leadership of Samuel Gompers was evident throughout the day, and the friendship of Luis Morones, the Mexican leader, indicated that the American Federation would continue to dictate labor policies on the American continent.

The Dominican delegate made an attack on the United States because of the military occupation of his country.

"They have taken from us the right of assembly and freedom of speech," he declared. "Their establishment of military censorship and a system of provost justice are violations of all international justice. We realize that the American Federation of Labor has done everything possible to obtain the evacuation of Domingo, and labor there extends a vote of thanks to its American comrades."

Salvador Complains

The Salvadorean delegate also attacked the United States and said the smaller American republics were compelled to support each other to withstand the imperialistic policies of their neighbor to the north. "We believe we have a common cause in this," he said, "and our so-called 'will do much to prevent aggression. We hope the American Federation of Labor will assist us in this."

Morones, in extending a welcome to the visiting delegates, protested energetically against the refusal of the United States Consul at Laredo, Randolph Robertson, to visit the passports of the members of the Mexican committee which went to the border to welcome Mr. Gompers and his delegation. He demanded that the congress give preferential consideration to this and file a protest. His remarks were applauded loudly.

Mr. Gompers answered apologetically, but assailed the consul, adding that the American delegation would make a full investigation and demand that the United States government make adequate reparation to the Mexican committee for the "indignity placed upon them by a petty and incompetent minor official."

Sees Attack on Labor

Morones emphasized the independence of the Mexican Labor Federation from A. F. of L. influences, saying that this argument had been used by enemies of labor for the purpose of creating a division in the ranks of labor. Other delegates also insisted that the organizations in the Pan-American Federation enjoy full autonomy, and freedom from American influence.

Radical labor elements, not represented in the congress, astonished the assembly by distributing leaflets attacking Morones, Alvarado, Carrillo

and other conservative leaders as traitors to the cause of the proletariat in the pay of the capitalist government. These were signed, "Soviet Communist Young Element."

James Lord, treasurer of the A. F. of L., made an attack on the local press, mentioning The Democrat specifically, as unfriendly to labor. All the papers this morning betrayed an unfriendly attitude toward the congress, intimating that Mr. Gompers was using it for the purpose of regaining his lost prestige in the United States.

China and Glassware Collected By Charles Wiley Brings \$2,655

Old English china, Nister ware and foreign glass, collected by the late Charles Wiley, of East Orange, N. J., sold at the American Art Galleries yesterday for \$2,655.50. The sales of the afternoon included:

Pair of Bohemian glass vases; to W. W. Seaman, agent, for \$50.

Pair of Bohemian glass grandole canisters; to Miss Green for \$35.

Pair of Bohemian glass grandole bases; to G. C. Truesdale for \$35.

Portion of a French porcelain tea and coffee set; to W. W. Seaman, agent, for \$110.

French porcelain tea and coffee set; to W. W. Seaman, agent, for \$65.

French porcelain tea set; to W. W. Seaman, agent, for \$20.

The sale will be continued this afternoon.

Old Masters on View

Old masters, modern landscapes and English and French portraits of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries are on exhibition at Clark's galleries, 42 and 44 East Fifty-eighth Street. The pictures are from the collection of Frederick Altman and Mrs. Helen Wood Locke. They will be sold Wednesday and Thursday evening at 8:15 o'clock.

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